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For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR *IN VIVO* AND *IN VITRO* ATTENUATION OF
GENE EXPRESSION USING DOUBLE STRANDED RNA

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a **five-month** extension of time be granted to file an Appeal Brief after the filing of the Notice of Appeal (i.e. June 21, 2007), thereby extending the due date from September 21, 2007 to January 21, 2008. Because January 21, 2008 is a Federal Holiday, the request is effective for a carryover to January 22, 2008, the next business day.

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